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SPEAKER KRISTENSEN PRESIDING

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN:     Good morning.     Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber.     This morning our chaplain for the day is our Chaplain Coordinator, Harland Johnson.

HARLAND JOHNSON:     (Prayer offered.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN:     I call the fifty-fifth day of the Nebraska Legislature to order.     Senators, please check in, roll call.

CLERK:     I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN:     Any corrections to the Journal?

CLERK:     I have no corrections, Mr. President.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN:     Any messages, reports, or announcements?

CLERK:     At this time I have neither messages, reports, nor announcements, Mr. President.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN:     We next move to General File, LB 1209A.

CLERK:     (LB) 1209A, by Senator Beutler.     (Read title.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN:     Senator Beutler, you're recognized to open on the bill.

SENATOR BEUTLER:     Senator Kristensen, members of the Legislature, this is the A bill for (LB) 1209.     Provides for some General Funds for the Department of Water Resources, about \$50,000.     Provides General Funds for DEQ and the Cash Fund that's needed for the Management Cash Fund.     Would move the advancement of the bill.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN:     Debate on the bill?     Senator Beutler, you're recognized....     Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN:     Just, Mr. Speaker, members, how much was the Cash Fund?     I wasn't aware how much cash...excuse me, General Fund.     I know about the Cash Fund.     How much is the General Fund